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Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Officer Involved Shooting

Report Date: 12/29/10	Bureau/Station/Facility: East Los Angeles Station	Admin. Invest.? ☐	Hit? ☐

Incident Information

URN: 910-12834-0250-055	Date: 10/19/10 Time: 2334
City or Station: Huntington Park	Nature of Incident: Non-hit OIS
Location: [redacted] 60th Place Huntington Park	

Location Type (*circle one or more*):
Backyard
Beach
Business
Freeway
Industrial
Park
Parking Lot
Residence
Rural
School
Street (circled)
Other: ____________

Lighting (*circle only one*):
Darkness (circled)
Daylight
Other (circled)
Street Lights (circled)

Weather (*circle only one*):
Clear
Cloudy (circled)
Fog
Rain

Distance: Approximately 15 feet

Incident Type (*circle one or more*):
Accidental
Armed Person (circled)
Fleeing Suspect (circled)
Foot Pursuit
Gun Take Away
Moving Vehicle
Sniper/Ambush
Startle
Struggle Involved
Traffic Stop (circled)
Unarmed Person
Unintentional
Vehicle Pursuit
Warrant Service
Warning Shot
Other: gun not located

Initiated by (*circle only one*):
Arrest Warrant
Call
Observation (circled)
One Person Unit
Other
Search Warrant
Two Person Unit

Prior Activity (*circle only one*):
Detective
Inmate Transport
Other
Routine Patrol (circled)

Aero Unit? ☐ Canine Unit? ☐

Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy	Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect
one	none

Employee Witnesses

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (*circle only one*)	ShiftType (*circle only one*)
none				EM PM Day	Regular Overtime Off Duty
				EM PM Day	Regular Overtime Off Duty
				EM PM Day	Regular Overtime Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	M.I.
See summary page 3 for witness information.		

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph

Last Name	First Name	M.I.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph

Last Name	First Name	M.I.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph

Supervisors

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I	(*circle one or more*)
[redacted]	Dane			On Duty / Present during shooting / Witness to shooting / Involved in shooting
				On Duty / Present during shooting / Witness to shooting / Involved in shooting

Watch Sergeant

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Diviak	Daren	

Watch Commander

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Carr	Tim	

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Rollout Information

Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Date Submitted	Date of Recommendation
10/20/10	0100		

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I
[redacted]	Bly	David	
[redacted]	Parker	Brenda	
[redacted]	Grimaldi	Mike	

Shooting / Force Information

Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton:(Control)
(BI) Baton:(Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds:(Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds:(Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds:(Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(CN) Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device:Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device:Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(SG) 37mm Stinger
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Injured

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hand
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

Brand

(AK) AK-47
(BN) Benelli
(BR) Beretta
(BW) Browning
(CH) Charter Arms
(CO) Colt
(DA) Davis Industries
(GL) Glock
(HA) Harrington & Richardson
(HI) Hi Standard
(HK) H & K
(IT) Ithica
(IV) Iver Johnson
(JE) Jennings
(LO) Lorcin
(LU) Luger
(MA) Marlin
(MO) Mossberg
(NC) NCI aka SKS
(NA) North American
(NO) Norinco
(RA) Raven
(RM) Remington
(RG) RG
(RI) RGI
(RO) Rossi
(SW) Smith & Wesson
(SR) Sturm Ruger
(ST) Sterling
(TA) Taurus
(WE) Weatherby
(WN) Winchester
(US) US Government
(YY) Handmade (Inmate)
(XX) Homemade (Non-Inmate)
(ZZ) Other Brand

Caliber

(9) 9 mm
(10) 10 mm
(12) 12 guage
(20) 20 guage
(21) .22-250
(22) .22 caliber
(23) .223 caliber
(24) .243 caliber
(25) .25 caliber
(30) .308 caliber
(35) .357 caliber
(36) 30-60 caliber
(38) .38 caliber
(40) .40 caliber
(41) .410 guage
(44) .44 caliber
(45) .45 caliber
(50) 50 mm
(SL) Slug
(WW) Other caliber

FORCE APPLIED *(one code per block)*

Used By (E# or S#)	Used Against (E# or S#)	Method (Code)	Brand (Code)	Caliber (Code)	Authorized Weapon? (Y/N)	Authorized Ammunition? (Y/N)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
E-1	S-1	FH	BR	9	Y	Y	NN	NN

Officer Involved Shooting
Involved Employee Information

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Involved Employee

E 1

Employee # [redacted]	Last Name: Sandoval	First Name: Andrea	M.I.
Sex: F Race: H	Rank: Deputy Sheriff	Unit Assignment: ELA	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 28/EM
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): (EM circled) PM Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): (Regular circled) Overtime Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case # — Interviewed? ☒
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: 7	Duty Time (hrs): [redacted]	Clothing (*circle only one*): Plain Clothes no Vest, Raid Jacket w/ Vest, Plain Clothes w/ Vest, Uniform no Vest, Raid Jacket no Vest, (Uniform w/ Vest circled)	Other Factors:
Age: [redacted] Height: 503 Weight: 150			
Range Qualification Date: [redacted]	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? [redacted]	Patrol Certification? [redacted]	Certification Unit: [redacted]	Prior Shootings? [redacted] Number of Prior Shootings: [redacted] Directed Force: [redacted]
Weapons Fired Brand: Beretta Caliber: 9MM # Shots: 1		Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:	
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.

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Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Rank	Unit Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): EM PM Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): Regular Overtime Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case # — Interviewed? ☐
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:	Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (*circle only one*): Plain Clothes no Vest, Raid Jacket w/ Vest, Plain Clothes w/ Vest, Uniform no Vest, Raid Jacket no Vest, Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: Height: Weight:			
Range Qualification Date:	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? ☐	Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings: Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:		Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:	
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ShiftTime (*circle only one*): EM PM Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): Regular Overtime Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case # — Interviewed? ☐
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:	Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (*circle only one*): Plain Clothes no Vest, Raid Jacket w/ Vest, Plain Clothes w/ Vest, Uniform no Vest, Raid Jacket no Vest, Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: Height: Weight:			
Range Qualification Date:	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? ☐	Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings: Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:		Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:	
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.

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Officer Involved Shooting
Suspect Information

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name Valdez		First Name Eric	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: M Race: H	Street Address: [redacted]	City [redacted]	State & Zip Code: [redacted]
Work Phone:	Hon[redacted]	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: 28 D.O.B. 03/11/82	Height: 510 Weight: 165	FBI # [redacted]	CII # [redacted]
Booking # 2519789	Primary Charge: 245(d)(1) PC	Secondary Charge: 69 PC	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☒	Apprehended? ☒	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? [redacted]
Vehicle Make		Model:	Year:

S__

Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐
Vehicle Make		Model:	Year:

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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
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Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
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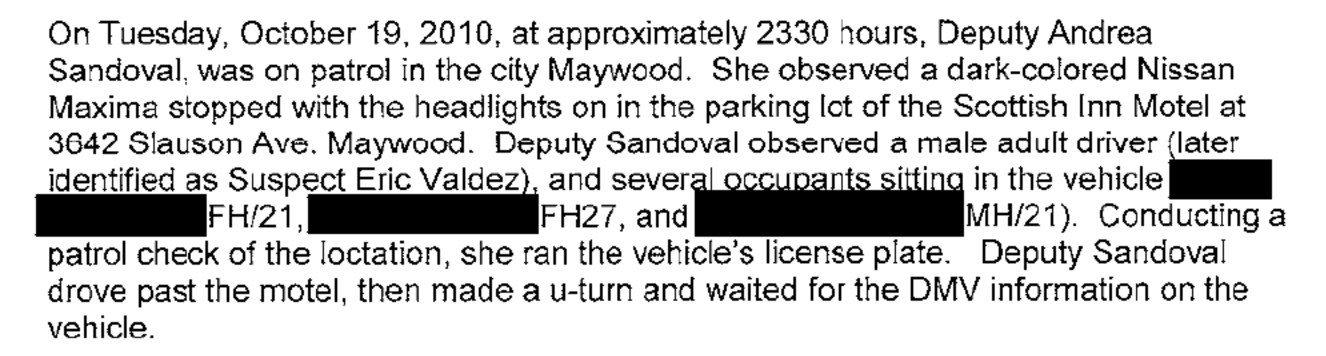
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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐
Vehicle Make		Model:	Year:

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

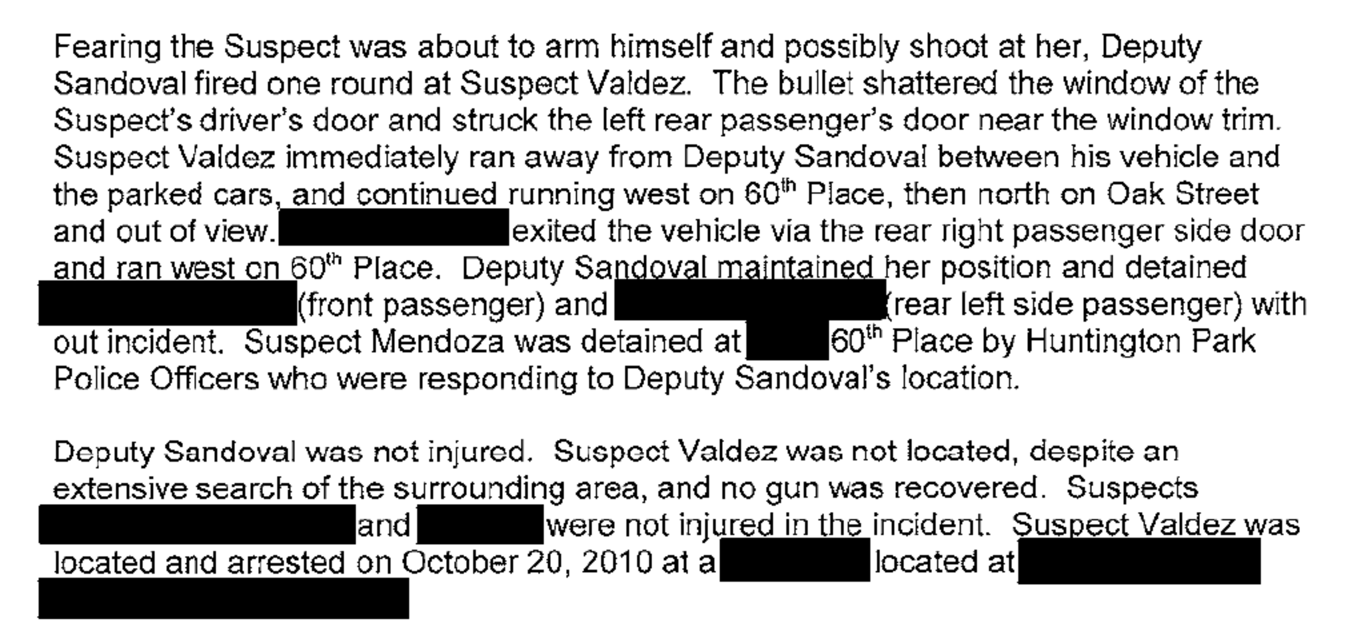
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY
DEPUTY INVOLVED NON-HIT SHOOTING
IAB CASE NUMBER SH2276042
URN #910-12843-0250-051

On October 20, 2010, Sergeants David Bly and Brenda Parker, along with Lieutenant Mike Grimaldi responded to the City of Huntington Park to investigate a deputy-involved non-hit shooting involving East Los Angeles Station personnel.


On Tuesday, October 19, 2010, at approximately 2330 hours, Deputy Andrea Sandoval, was on patrol in the city Maywood. She observed a dark-colored Nissan Maxima stopped with the headlights on in the parking lot of the Scottish Inn Motel at 3642 Slauson Ave. Maywood. Deputy Sandoval observed a male adult driver (later identified as Suspect Eric Valdez), and several occupants sitting in the vehicle [redacted] FH/21, [redacted] FH27, and [redacted] MH/21). Conducting a patrol check of the loctation, she ran the vehicle's license plate. Deputy Sandoval drove past the motel, then made a u-turn and waited for the DMV information on the vehicle.

Suspect Valdez drove out of the parking lot and Deputy Sandoval was advised by Sheriff's Communication that the vehicle was reported stolen. Deputy Sandoval broadcast that she was Code 9, following the vehicle, and requested backup. While she waited for assisting units, Deputy Sandoval followed the vehicle to the 2900 block of 60th Place in Huntington Park. Suspect Valdez pulled into the driveway at [redacted] 60th Place, and attempted to make a three-point u-turn in the narrow street. Before Suspect Valdez could complete the maneuver, and because of the narrow street, Deputy Sandoval blocked his progress with her radio car. Deputy Sandoval stood behind her open driver's side door with her handgun drawn and ordered the occupants to remain seated and show her their hands.

Suspect Valdez's vehicle was facing in the direction of Deputy Sandoval's radio car at an angle, which placed the Suspect's driver's door near the right-front bumper of the radio car. Suspect Valdez ignored Deputy Sandoval's orders and lowered his hands and subsequently opened his door. Deputy Sandoval attempted to detain Suspect Valdez at gunpoint, but he ignored her and exited the vehicle. Suspect Valdez was moving his hands up and down from his chest to above his shoulders. He continuing to ignore Deputy Sandoval's orders, Suspect Valdez stepped out from behind his door, at which time Deputy Sandoval observed a bulge in his left waistband under his untucked tee-shirt. Suspect Valdez told Deputy Sandoval he hadn't done anything wrong, then lowered his right hand to his waistband area while still moving away from his vehicle. Suspect Valdez started to lift his tee-shirt with his left hand. Deputy Sandoval said she saw the grip of a handgun, black in color.



Fearing the Suspect was about to arm himself and possibly shoot at her, Deputy Sandoval fired one round at Suspect Valdez. The bullet shattered the window of the Suspect's driver's door and struck the left rear passenger's door near the window trim. Suspect Valdez immediately ran away from Deputy Sandoval between his vehicle and the parked cars, and continued running west on 60th Place, then north on Oak Street and out of view. [redacted] exited the vehicle via the rear right passenger side door and ran west on 60th Place. Deputy Sandoval maintained her position and detained [redacted] (front passenger) and [redacted] (rear left side passenger) with out incident. Suspect Mendoza was detained at [redacted] 60th Place by Huntington Park Police Officers who were responding to Deputy Sandoval's location.

Deputy Sandoval was not injured. Suspect Valdez was not located, despite an extensive search of the surrounding area, and no gun was recovered. Suspects [redacted] and [redacted] were not injured in the incident. Suspect Valdez was located and arrested on October 20, 2010 at a [redacted] located at [redacted]

IAB Note: The summary of this incident is based on physical evidence collected at the scene by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab personnel, IAB investors observations, as well as information obtained from the original crime report and supplemental reports along with interviews of the involved employee and witnesses. *(Refer to Exhibits A through D)*

INVOLVED PERSONNEL

SANDOVAL, Andrea, Deputy Sheriff #[redacted]
Field Operations Region I
East Los Angeles Station

Work History

Date of Employment	01/17/2002
Date Assigned to Patrol	05/30/2009
Date Completed Patrol Training	[redacted]
Prior Shooting Incidents	[redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents	[redacted]

SUSPECT

VALDEZ, Eric, MH/28, DOB: 03/11/82, Booking #2519789

Suspect Valdez' Consolidated Criminal history Report (CCHRS) showed he had been [redacted]

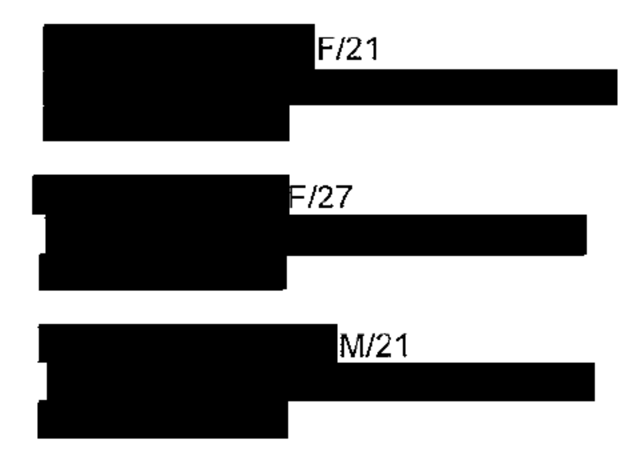
IAB Note: See to Exhibit "A", pages 59-71 for further information.

SWORN WITNESSES

None

IAB Note: Deputy Sandoval was working alone on the night of the incident. Huntington Park Police Officer [redacted] arrived at the crime scene just after Deputy Sandoval had fired her duty weapon. He did not see Deputy Sandoval shoot at the Suspect. He and other Huntington Park Officers assisted Deputy Sandoval detained the remaining three suspects until deputies arrived at the scene.

CIVILIAN WITNESSES



[redacted] F/21
[redacted]

[redacted] F/27
[redacted]

[redacted] M/21
[redacted]

SUSPECT INJURIES

None

DEPUTY INJURIES

None

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

One 9MM shell casing was recovered from the street, in front of [redacted] 60th Place, the area where Deputy Sandoval reported shooting from.

> **IAB Note: See Exhibit "A" pages 140-142 for a copy of the CSI crime scene sketch.**

> **IAB Note: See Exhibit "B" for CSI photographs, and one compact disk containing all photographs taken by the Crime Scene Investigator.**

INVESTIGATORS OBSERVATIONS

The shooting scene was observed by IAB investigators. The positions the patrol car and the stolen vehicle were observed. IAB Investigators observed the shattered window and a bullet strike on the stolen vehicle and also a bullet casing on the street, approximately in front of [redacted] 60th Place.

> **IAB Note: See exhibit "A" page 142 for a CSI sketch of the crime scene.**

A review of East Los Angeles Station dispatch-3 radio frequency tape revealed the following:

At 2334 hours: SCC requested the status of unit 28 (Deputy Sandoval) regarding a 10-29V license [redacted] 99 Nissan. Unit 28 stated 10-33 and advised code-9, 10-29V westbound 59th from Everett Ave, Maywood.

At 2335 hours: Unit 28T responding code-3 in one. Unit 28 advised southbound Maywood Ave, four occupants, approaching 60th place, westbound Randolph from Maywood. 21Sam advised ETA in one.

At 2336 hours: Unit 26T responding code-3, SSC advised 28T and 26T authorized code-3. Units 23, 26A, and 25 also advised responding code-3. Unit 28 advised westbound Randolph from Newell, confirmed the license plate and description of the vehicle.

At 2337 hours: Unit 28 advised northbound State Street, westbound 60th Place from State Street. Unit 28 advised no units code-6 with her, continuing westbound on 60th Place from Arbutus. Air unit advised ETA in one to two.

At 2338 hours: Unit 28 advised the vehicle stopped and she is detaining at gun point. Unit 28 advised she is facing westbound and is heard ordering the suspect(s) to stay in the car. Unit 26T inquired if any units are code-6 with unit 28.

At 2339hours: Unit 28 advised 998 and a suspect is running westbound on 60th place with three other people in the vehicle. Unit 28 advised she is facing westbound at 2935 60th place and the suspect is a male wearing a green shirt, blue jeans, and a black hat.

At 2340 hours: Unit 28 advised a female running wearing a black sweatshirt and blue jeans. Aero advised several units are code-6. Aero started to set up a containment and 21Sam advised ETA in one.

IAB Not: See Exhibit "C" for a compact disk containing the radio traffic.

IAB Note: The distance the Suspect drove from the Scottish Inn Motel at 3642 Slauson Ave Maywood, to the shooting scene at [redacted] 60th Place Huntington Park, is approximately [redacted] The route was driven and measured by IAB investigator David Bly.

WEAPONS USED BY DEPUTY PERSONNEL

SANDOVAL, Andrea, Deputy Sheriff #[redacted]

Service Weapon: Department authorized/issued Beretta 9mm, Model 92FS, semi-automatic pistol, serial number BE[redacted]

Ammunition: Luger, 9mm, one round fired with fifteen rounds left in weapon.

Date last qualified: [redacted]

WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECT CLARK

None

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Shattered driver's side window and a bullet strike on left rear passenger door of the stolen vehicle, 1999 Nissan Altima license number CA [redacted]

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR/CHARGES FILE:

Investigator: Detective George Bernal , East Los Angeles Station.

Court: East Los Angeles Court Case VA117276

Charges: 245(d)(1) PC, 69 PC, 10851(a) CVC, 496d(a) PC, 466 PC, and 148.9(a) PC.

Court Date: 01/10/11

IAB Note: See Exhibit "A", pages 1-12 for further information.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The incident occurred during night time hours. The weather was cool, wet, and drizzly.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE STATEMENTS

SANDOVAL, Andrea, Deputy Sheriff #[redacted] was interviewed on October 20, 2010 by East Los Angeles Detective George Bernal and on November 8, 2010 at approximately 1015 hours by IAB Sergeants David Bly and Brenda Parker. Both interviews were recorded for review. The following is a summary of those interviews.

Deputy Sandoval said she was assigned to patrol in the city of Maywood. She said she saw a vehicle in the parking lot of the Scottish Inn Motel. She said, "I noticed that there was a tan Nissan parked in the driveway and there was a male occupant that was driving the car and the female occupant. The male had a green T-shirt on, had hair, between 20, 25 years old. The female, I couldn't really tell but she was light-skinned. The two that were inside of the motel walked up to the car the male entered the rear driver's side. The female got into the rear passenger's side of the car. The car then pulled forward. As they were stopped there, I motioned to the car to go ahead and make the right turn, right-hand turn. Park, you know? (They) Stayed in the parked area for a bit."

Deputy Sandoval said the vehicle made a right turn and she followed the vehicle. She said, "And then I proceeded to make a right. I got behind the vehicle, and I did a DMV check of the vehicle's license plate with my MDT. The car came back as stolen. SCC got on the radio and asked me what my status was re: the 'V'."

Deputy Sandoval said she advised she was code-9 and she never activated her red lights or siren. She said, "I went southbound got onto Loma Vista. The vehicle then proceeded to turn westbound on 59th and I asked for the patch. I advised SCC that we were westbound 59th behind a 10-29 Victor we were going, we crossed Everett. We got to Maywood. Maywood, we went south on Maywood. Then we got to, in Randolph which we went westbound on Randolph. Kept updating where we were going. Told them there was four occupants in the car. Vehicle then turned northbound onto the State-Boyle connection. The street turned to -- you're going northbound it's State, but if you're coming southbound it's Boyle from Slauson. Turned northbound off of that street. The vehicle ended up going westbound onto 60th Place and past Albutus (inaudible) and Oak, and pulled into a driveway on the south side of the street. At which point, I advised SCC that I was going to be exiting my vehicle and I was going to be detaining at gunpoint."

Deputy Sandoval said she exited the vehicle and covered the suspects with her handgun. She said, " I thought he was going to stop at that location so I got on the radio and I told SCC I'm going to be detaining at gunpoint, the vehicle yielded. Oh, well when I positioned myself, I exited my vehicle and I, I had my gun out and I was telling him stop, don't move, you know, stay in the car. Don't move, let me see your hands and that's when the car reversed and it reversed maybe about three to five feet and so now we're (vehicles) nose to nose."

IAB Note: See Exhibit "A: page 142 for a CSI crime scene sketch noting the positions of both vehicles.

Deputy Sandoval said she positioned herself in the "V" area of the patrol car's doorjamb. She said she placed the dash and engine compartment between her and the suspects the best she could for cover and containment. She said she pointed her weapon out and over the door and windshield. Deputy Sandoval had her spot light on and positioned on the suspects. She said she did not recall if her overhead rotators were activated or not.

Deputy Sandoval said she was giving the suspects orders and answering the radio at the same time observing the Suspect's actions. She said, "I was telling them to turn the car off and then I was telling everybody, you know, I was like let me see your hands, put your hands where I can see them, don't move. And I was telling them to stay in the car, not to move, just let me see your hands, let me see your hands, and I know that they can hear me only because the female in the front passenger seat is doing what I'm asking, so she's sitting there like this and she has her hands up where I can see them. And that's pretty much it. I just kept telling them and I was answering my mike at the

same time because SCC was asking 'which direction are you facing and was anybody Code 6 with you' and I can hear all kinds of other traffic."

Deputy Sandoval said there was a male driver (Suspect Valdez), front female passenger [redacted] rear female passenger side, [redacted] and rear male driverside [redacted] She said she could see the Suspect and front passenger clearly and could see the rear passengers, but could not see their hands or if they were actually following her orders.

Deputy Sandoval said the Suspect only raised his right hand and she could not see his left hand. She said the Suspect did not comply with her orders to remain in the car. She said the Suspect quickly opened his door and then slowly exited the vehicle. The Suspect briefly stood in the doorjamb area and raised both of his hand chest level, but did not comply with Deputy Sandoval's orders.

Deputy Sandoval said she told the Suspect she did not want to shoot him and to stay in the car. She said the Suspect did not say anything to her while he was in the car. She said, " I know I'm by myself, no one is there yet and so, Aero wasn't there, nobody was there, so I'm yelling at him stay in the car, stay in the car and the door is open for a minute and then he exits the car. When he exits the car, he's got his hands like at a, at a W and he kind of, you know, it's....He never raised his left hand. And then he gets out of the car and when he gets out of the car, he keeps his hand like, his elbows are at his waist level and his hands are either side in a W formation."

Deputy Sandoval said, "And he gets out of the car and he's standing behind the door for a minute and he's like 'I'm not doing anything, I'm not doing anything' and I'm telling him, get back in the car. I said, and then I was like, no wait, I don't want him to go back in the car. I'm like stay where you're at, let me see your hands, don't fucking move, just stay where you're at, don't fucking move and he, you know, and everyone was just chiming on the radio, 'where are you at, can't find you', hey, you know, this and that, and then SCC gave out the address again and the units are like 'hey, is anybody Code 6 with you' and I, you know, I'm still yelling at the guy stay in the car, you know, stay in the car and now I can hear Aero saying up ahead in seconds."

Deputy Sandoval said the Suspect was wearing an untucked green tee-shirt and both of his hands were up at his chest. She said she was watching him and ordering him to stay were he was at, at the same time moving her eyes to observe the other people in the vehicle. She said she could clearly see the front female passenger, but could not clearly observe the rear passengers.

Deputy Sandoval said the Suspect continued to slowly move north away from the car door. She said, "And he keeps inching until he completely clears the door and so then I have a whole frontal view of him and at first I didn't really get his clothing description. Yeah, he's still telling me 'I'm not doing anything, I'm not fucking doing anything, I'm not doing anything' and he, he still has his hands like this (at chest level)."

Deputy Sandoval said she was watching the Suspect, the other passengers, and listening to the radio traffic of SCC and deputies who were asking questions. She said she saw a bulge on the Suspect's left waistband area that was covered by his tee-shirt. She said, "I saw what, what looked like to me it looked like a bulge like on his left side and I was trying to figure out like, okay, I don't...you know, it looked square. I go it could be a phone or it could be a gun, it could be, you know, it could be anything."

Deputy Sandoval said, "I was trying to figure out, you know, what he was doing and I was hoping someone will get there soon because I'm like he's gonna figure out I'm by myself 'cause he couldn't figure out at first because I had the light on them, they can't really see anyone to my left or to my right. So I'm thinking okay, I put my lights on, I'm blocking him, he can't see really, he's not gonna know if I'm by myself or not. He's just gonna hear a voice giving him commands so maybe he'll think someone is with me and I'm thinking okay, he's gotta listen to me, I go he's gonna figure out I'm by myself and I don't know what he's gonna do. So at that point I didn't know if he was gonna try and engage me, either coming at me to fight with me or, you know, if he had a gun to shoot me. I didn't know what he was going to do. All I knew is okay, I'm still by myself, no one's here and I don't even have Aero overhead."

Deputy Sandoval said, "Once he cleared the entire door, he still, stopped and I'm still yelling at him, 'just stay where you're at, stay where you're at, don't move', and then I decided, you know what, I'm just gonna prone him out. I'm gonna tell him get on the ground. You know, so I start yelling at him lie on the ground, lie on the ground, get down on the ground, you know, don't move, just lie on the ground and I'm telling the people in the car, stay where you're at, don't move, and I'm giving like all these orders to people and, and at that point he turns and blades his body so now he's facing north, but he does it at a quick movement and at the same time he lifts his shirt with his left hand and then I see what appears to me as a butt of a gun and I tell him, 'don't move, I'm gonna fuckin' shoot you, don't move' and he just, he does like a quick thing and then I fired one shot and then he takes off running."

Deputy Sandoval said the Suspect turned to his left at the same time lowering his right hand and right hand crossing his body to his left waistband area. She said she saw the Suspect lift his tee-shirt up with his left hand and she saw what she believed to be the grip of a handgun. She said the grip was black in color. She said she did not see the Suspect pull out the handgun and did not see any objects in his hands after she shot.

Deputy Sandoval said she heard the sound of a window shatter coming from the stolen car and she saw the Suspect continued to run west on 60th Place and out of sight. She said almost simultaneously, the rear female passenger exited the vehicle and ran south and then west on 60th Place. She said, "I fired one shot and then he takes off running and at the same time that he takes off running, I fired a shot, the rear door opens up on the car and the female starts to bail. So now she's running westbound on the south side of the street and he's running northbound, or westbound on the north side of the street. So I have two people running at the same time and then that's when Aero comes overhead."

Deputy Sandoval said she broadcasted "998" and a Huntington Park Police Officer then arrived from behind her and helped detain the last two passengers until deputies arrived. She said, "I hear a shotgun click and I was like what the hell and I turn and it happens to be Huntington Park and they're coming up from the back and they get there and by then the girl had gone and I had, I just did a quick turn and I saw, you know, the blue of the uniform, the star, the shield and at that time, I had turned, I turned to look back or look forward and I see the girl hunker down on the north side, on the south side of the street in front of an apartment complex and she was shaking the fence at first trying to get over but she couldn't, and then she hunkered down and then shortly a while after that while we're detaining the, the other two occupants in the vehicle, the female runs north across 60th Place into the apartments on the northwest corner. There's an apartment complex there and I let Huntington Park, hey, 'that's gonna be my female, she bailed from the back.' This is what she's wearing and I put out to Aero hey, the male, the male driver occupant is gonna be wearing this, this and this, this is what he looks like, this is where he was last seen. So they're like okay, when we get the...they started setting up the containment and then I hear people talking and then the first unit from the station ends up getting up on the north end. I found out afterwards he ended up making it from the station to Huntington Park before anybody from Cudahy or Maywood got there."

Deputy Sandoval said additional Huntington Park Police Officers arrived and detained the female who ran west on 60th Place.

Deputy Sandoval said it was dark, but she had her headlights and spot light on, and additionally, there was overhead street lights on 60th Place. She said she was aware of two parked cars, a small brick planter-wall, and residential condominiums as her back drop when she shot. She said she did not see any other persons on the street in her field of fire. Deputy Sandoval said she fired one round because she thought the Suspect was retrieving a handgun and he did not comply with her orders to stop moving.

Deputy Sandoval said she was originally pointing her weapon at the Suspect to cover him when she was giving him commands to not move. She was holding her handgun with both of her hands. She said when the Suspect turned and she believed the Suspect was retrieving a handgun from his waistband to shoot her, she pointed and shot at the Suspect. She said she then acquired her sights, but the Suspect no longer presented a threat and she had lost his position because he had ran away.

Deputy Sandoval said she only fired one round. She said, "Because of the distance that he was gaining (away from her) and the fact that it (field of fire) kept getting larger and then I had another person running. I didn't think it'd be beneficial to fire three or four more rounds because now I don't know what else I'm engaging or I don't know what these guys are going to do in the car and I didn't feel that I should be dropping rounds."

IAB Note: See Deputy Sandoval's transcribed interviews for additional information.

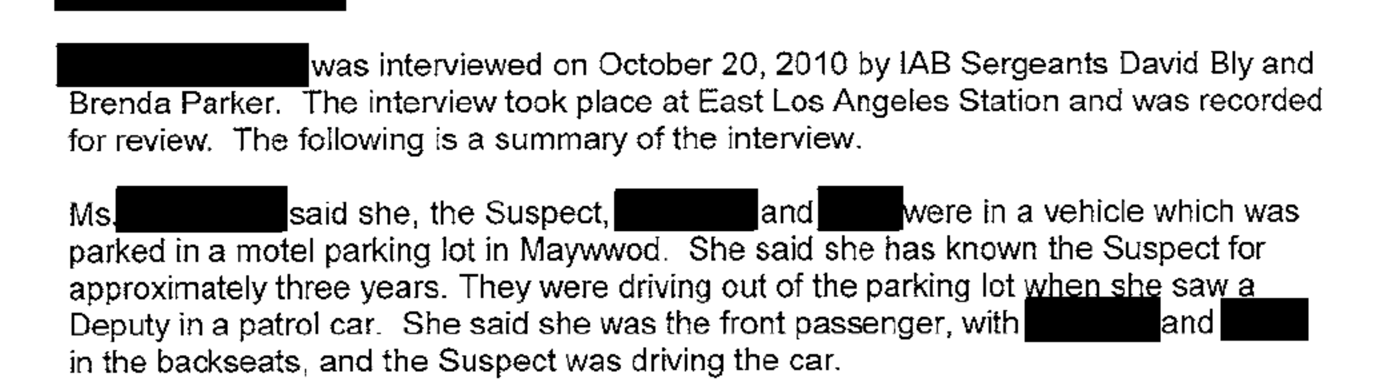
IAB Note: See Exhibit "A" pages 30-32 for a supplemental report authored by Deputy Sandoval. Also, see Exhibit "A" for a DVD containing Deputy Sandoval's interview with East Los Angeles Detective George Bernal.

<u>SWORN WITNESS STATEMENTS</u>

None

<u>CIVILIAN STATEMENTS</u>

[redacted]



[redacted] was interviewed on October 20, 2010 by IAB Sergeants David Bly and Brenda Parker. The interview took place at East Los Angeles Station and was recorded for review. The following is a summary of the interview.

Ms. [redacted] said she, the Suspect, [redacted] and [redacted] were in a vehicle which was parked in a motel parking lot in Maywwod. She said she has known the Suspect for approximately three years. They were driving out of the parking lot when she saw a Deputy in a patrol car. She said she was the front passenger, with [redacted] and [redacted] in the backseats, and the Suspect was driving the car.

Ms. [redacted] said the Deputy followed them for approximately five minutes and the Deputy did not have the red lights or siren on. She said the Suspect drove normally and they all wondered why the deputy was following them. She said she did not know the vehicle was stolen and that was the first time she ever saw that vehicle. Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect did not own the vehicle and he told her he borrowed it from a friend. She said, as far as she knew, no one had any illegal items in the car.

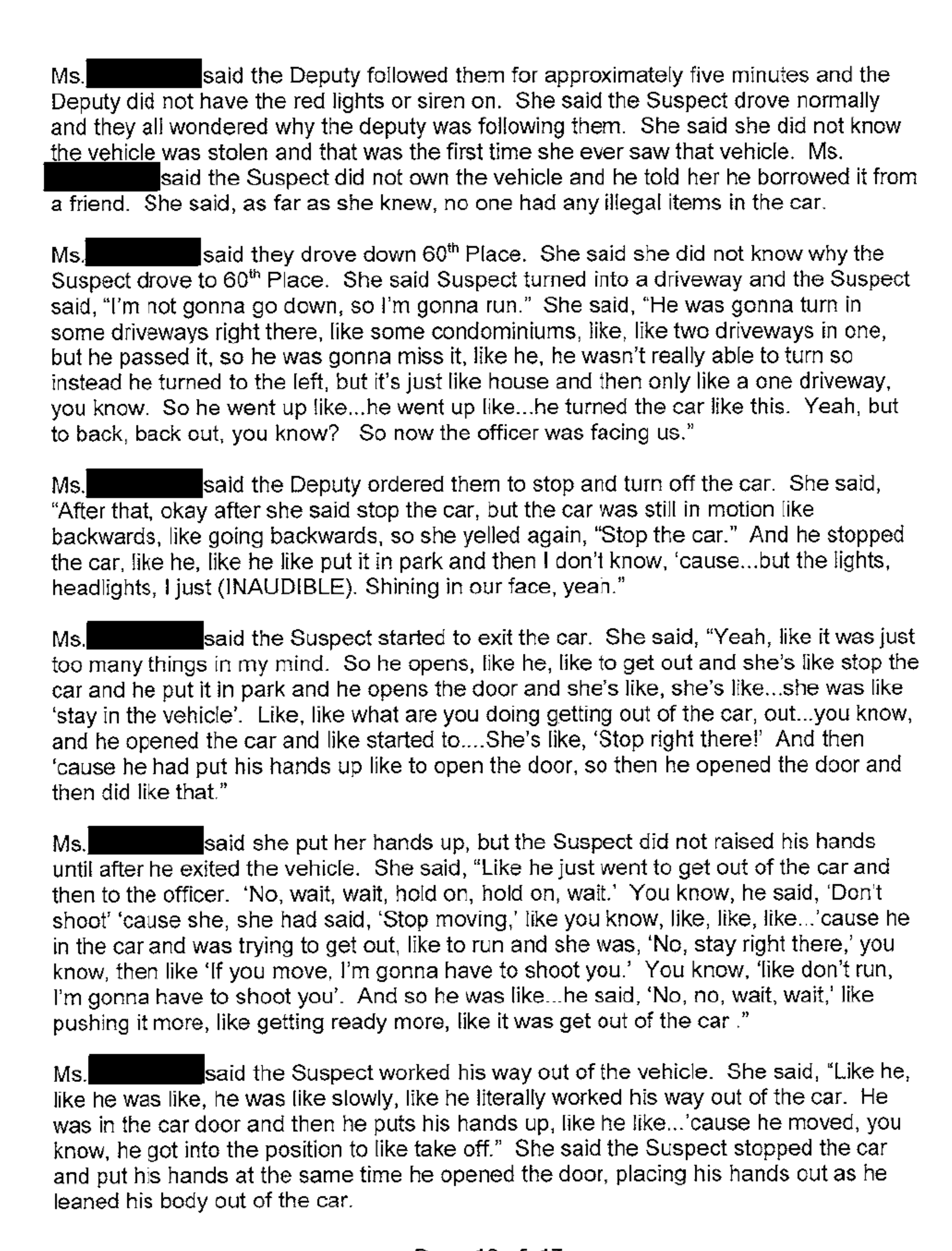
Ms. [redacted] said they drove down 60th Place. She said she did not know why the Suspect drove to 60th Place. She said Suspect turned into a driveway and the Suspect said, "I'm not gonna go down, so I'm gonna run." She said, "He was gonna turn in some driveways right there, like some condominiums, like, like two driveways in one, but he passed it, so he was gonna miss it, like he, he wasn't really able to turn so instead he turned to the left, but it's just like house and then only like a one driveway, you know. So he went up like...he went up like...he turned the car like this. Yeah, but to back, back out, you know? So now the officer was facing us."

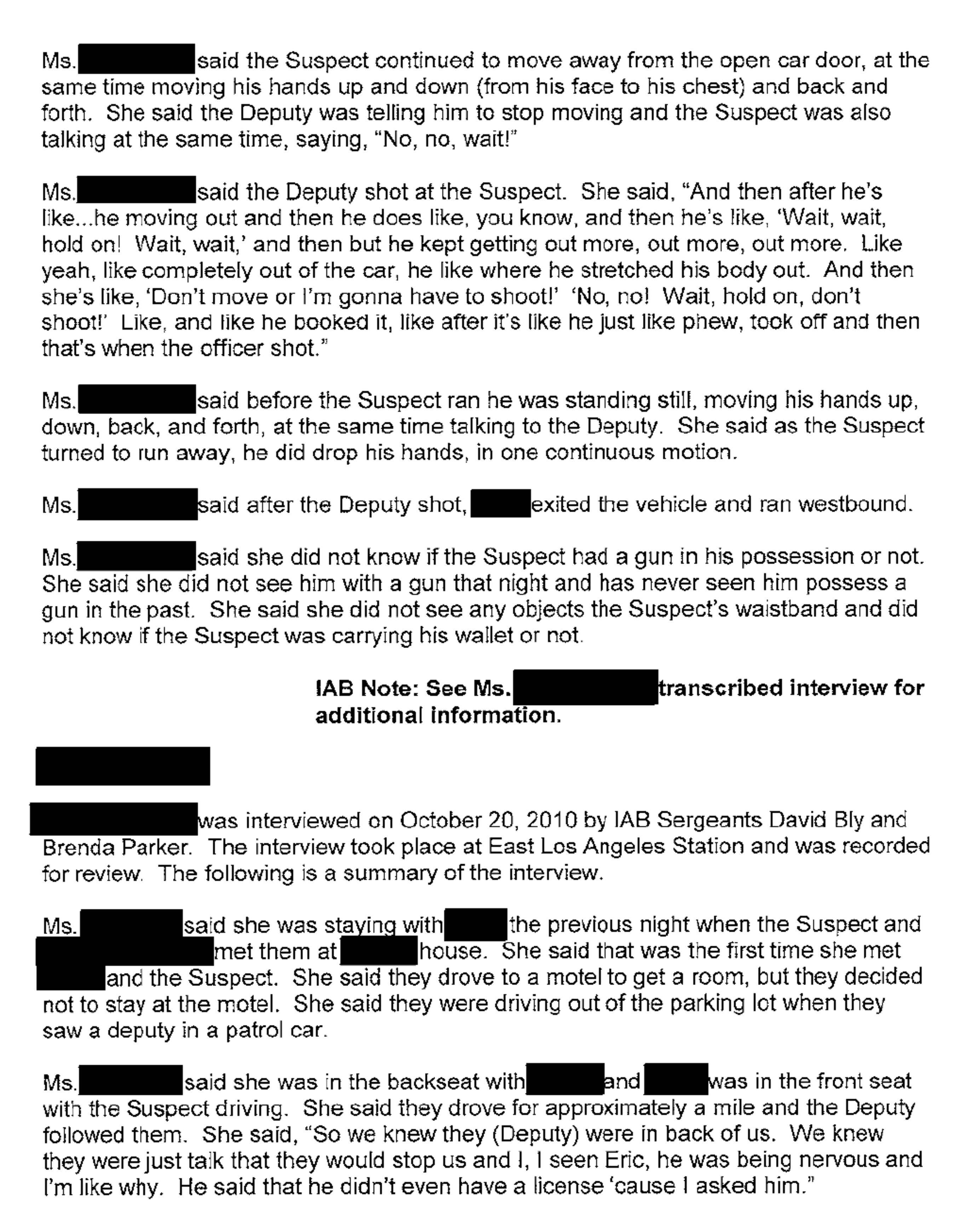
Ms. [redacted] said the Deputy ordered them to stop and turn off the car. She said, "After that, okay after she said stop the car, but the car was still in motion like backwards, like going backwards, so she yelled again, "Stop the car." And he stopped the car, like he, like he like put it in park and then I don't know, 'cause...but the lights, headlights, I just (INAUDIBLE). Shining in our face, yeah."

Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect started to exit the car. She said, "Yeah, like it was just too many things in my mind. So he opens, like he, like to get out and she's like stop the car and he put it in park and he opens the door and she's like, she's like...she was like 'stay in the vehicle'. Like, like what are you doing getting out of the car, out...you know, and he opened the car and like started to....She's like, 'Stop right there!' And then 'cause he had put his hands up like to open the door, so then he opened the door and then did like that."

Ms. [redacted] said she put her hands up, but the Suspect did not raised his hands until after he exited the vehicle. She said, "Like he just went to get out of the car and then to the officer. 'No, wait, wait, hold on, hold on, wait.' You know, he said, 'Don't shoot' 'cause she, she had said, 'Stop moving,' like you know, like, like, like...'cause he in the car and was trying to get out, like to run and she was, 'No, stay right there,' you know, then like 'If you move, I'm gonna have to shoot you.' You know, 'like don't run, I'm gonna have to shoot you'. And so he was like...he said, 'No, no, wait, wait,' like pushing it more, like getting ready more, like it was get out of the car ."

Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect worked his way out of the vehicle. She said, "Like he, like he was like, he was like slowly, like he literally worked his way out of the car. He was in the car door and then he puts his hands up, like he like...'cause he moved, you know, he got into the position to like take off." She said the Suspect stopped the car and put his hands at the same time he opened the door, placing his hands out as he leaned his body out of the car.





Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect continued to move away from the open car door, at the same time moving his hands up and down (from his face to his chest) and back and forth. She said the Deputy was telling him to stop moving and the Suspect was also talking at the same time, saying, "No, no, wait!"

Ms. [redacted] said the Deputy shot at the Suspect. She said, "And then after he's like...he moving out and then he does like, you know, and then he's like, 'Wait, wait, hold on! Wait, wait,' and then but he kept getting out more, out more, out more. Like yeah, like completely out of the car, he like where he stretched his body out. And then she's like, 'Don't move or I'm gonna have to shoot!' 'No, no! Wait, hold on, don't shoot!' Like, and like he booked it, like after it's like he just like phew, took off and then that's when the officer shot."

Ms. [redacted] said before the Suspect ran he was standing still, moving his hands up, down, back, and forth, at the same time talking to the Deputy. She said as the Suspect turned to run away, he did drop his hands, in one continuous motion.

Ms. [redacted] said after the Deputy shot, [redacted] exited the vehicle and ran westbound.

Ms. [redacted] said she did not know if the Suspect had a gun in his possession or not. She said she did not see him with a gun that night and has never seen him possess a gun in the past. She said she did not see any objects the Suspect's waistband and did not know if the Suspect was carrying his wallet or not.

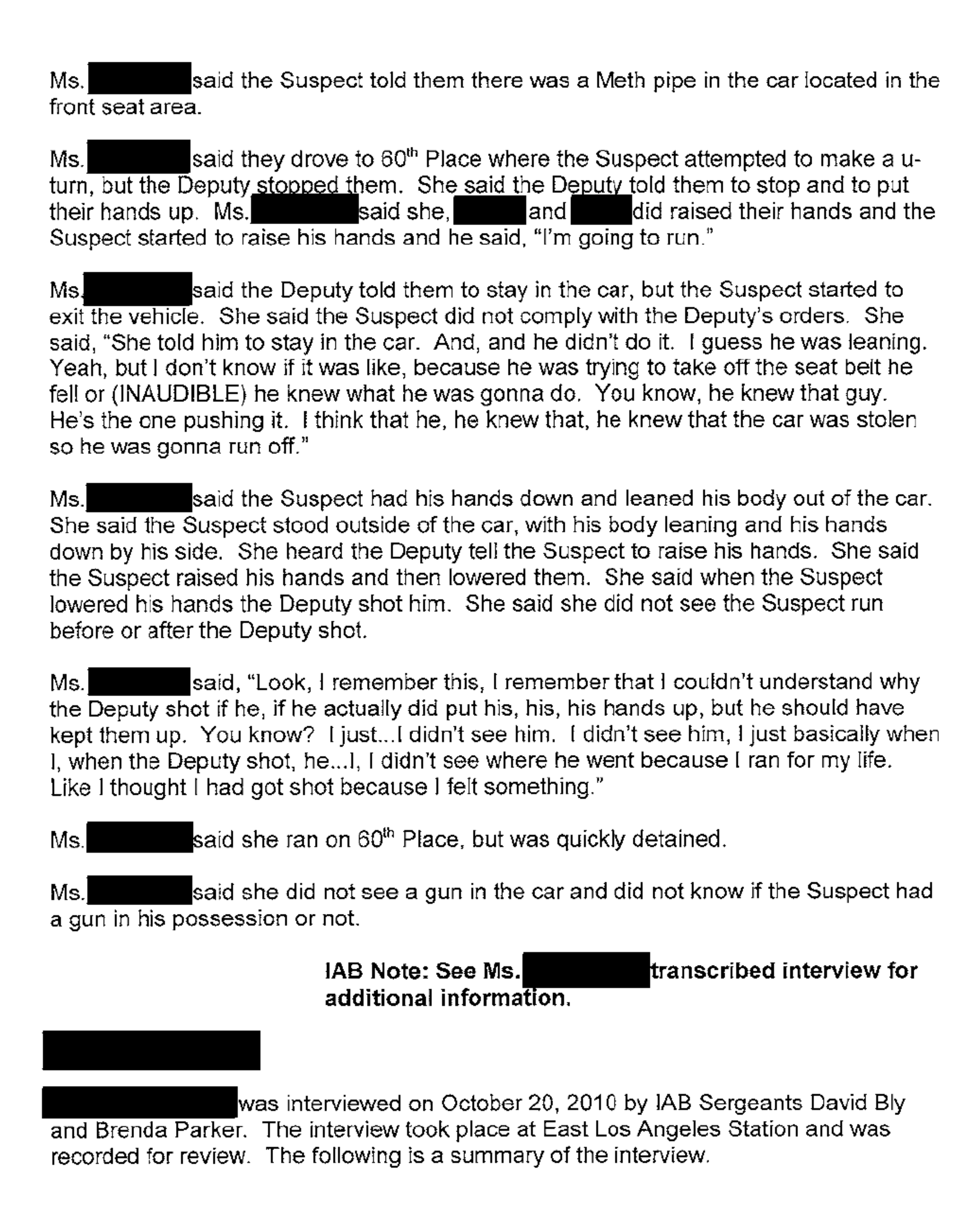
IAB Note: See Ms. [redacted] transcribed interview for additional information.

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[redacted] was interviewed on October 20, 2010 by IAB Sergeants David Bly and Brenda Parker. The interview took place at East Los Angeles Station and was recorded for review. The following is a summary of the interview.

Ms. [redacted] said she was staying with [redacted] the previous night when the Suspect and [redacted] met them at [redacted] house. She said that was the first time she met [redacted] and the Suspect. She said they drove to a motel to get a room, but they decided not to stay at the motel. She said they were driving out of the parking lot when they saw a deputy in a patrol car.

Ms. [redacted] said she was in the backseat with [redacted] and [redacted] was in the front seat with the Suspect driving. She said they drove for approximately a mile and the Deputy followed them. She said, "So we knew they (Deputy) were in back of us. We knew they were just talk that they would stop us and I, I seen Eric, he was being nervous and I'm like why. He said that he didn't even have a license 'cause I asked him."



Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect told them there was a Meth pipe in the car located in the front seat area.

Ms. [redacted] said they drove to 60th Place where the Suspect attempted to make a u-turn, but the Deputy stopped them. She said the Deputy told them to stop and to put their hands up. Ms. [redacted] said she, [redacted] and [redacted] did raised their hands and the Suspect started to raise his hands and he said, "I'm going to run."

Ms. [redacted] said the Deputy told them to stay in the car, but the Suspect started to exit the vehicle. She said the Suspect did not comply with the Deputy's orders. She said, "She told him to stay in the car. And, and he didn't do it. I guess he was leaning. Yeah, but I don't know if it was like, because he was trying to take off the seat belt he fell or (INAUDIBLE) he knew what he was gonna do. You know, he knew that guy. He's the one pushing it. I think that he, he knew that, he knew that the car was stolen so he was gonna run off."

Ms. [redacted] said the Suspect had his hands down and leaned his body out of the car. She said the Suspect stood outside of the car, with his body leaning and his hands down by his side. She heard the Deputy tell the Suspect to raise his hands. She said the Suspect raised his hands and then lowered them. She said when the Suspect lowered his hands the Deputy shot him. She said she did not see the Suspect run before or after the Deputy shot.

Ms. [redacted] said, "Look, I remember this, I remember that I couldn't understand why the Deputy shot if he, if he actually did put his, his, his hands up, but he should have kept them up. You know? I just...I didn't see him. I didn't see him, I just basically when I, when the Deputy shot, he...I, I didn't see where he went because I ran for my life. Like I thought I had got shot because I felt something."

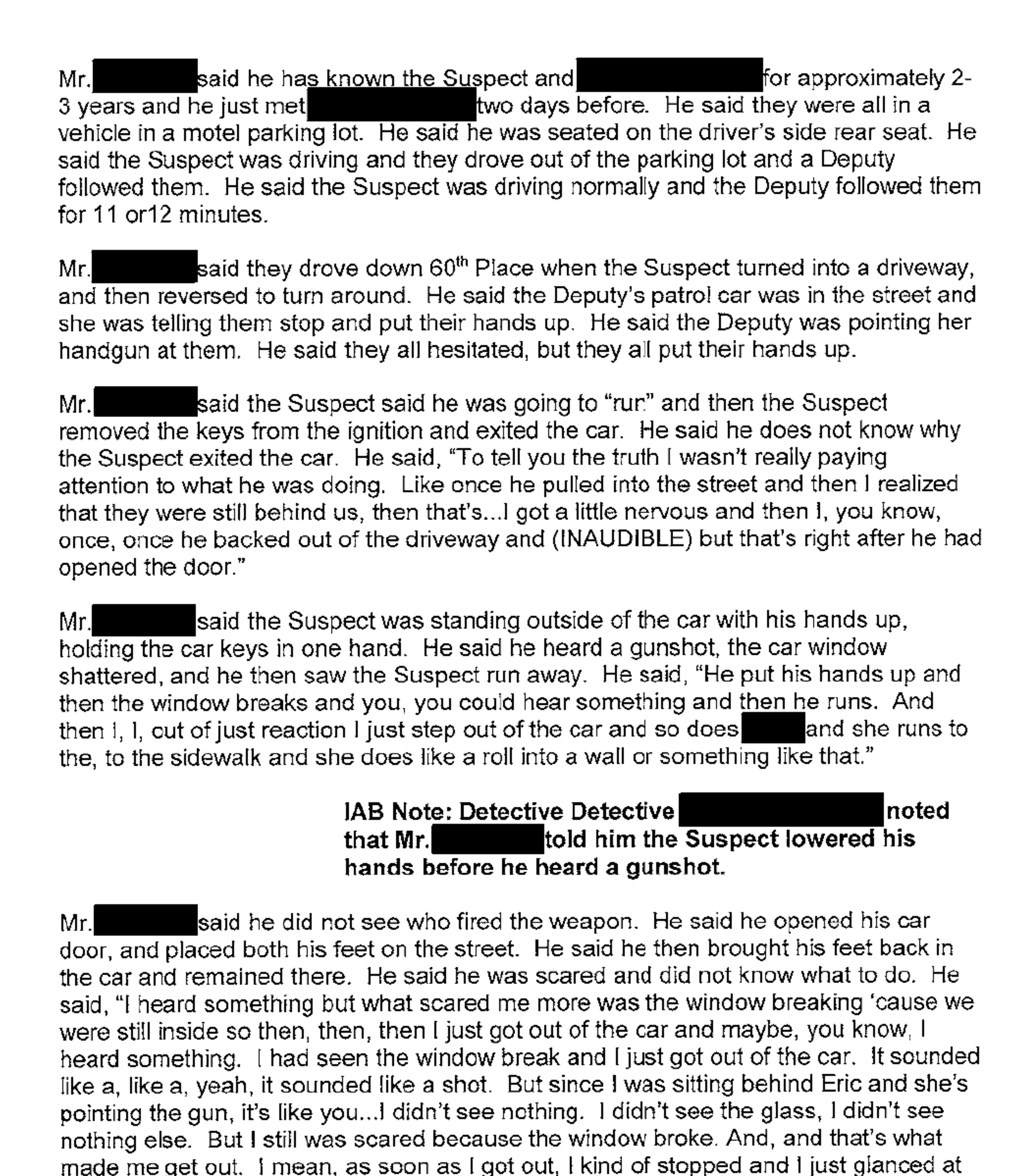
Ms. [redacted] said she ran on 60th Place, but was quickly detained.

Ms. [redacted] said she did not see a gun in the car and did not know if the Suspect had a gun in his possession or not.

IAB Note: See Ms. [redacted] transcribed interview for additional information.

[redacted]

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Mr. [redacted] said he has known the Suspect and [redacted] for approximately 2-3 years and he just met [redacted] two days before. He said they were all in a vehicle in a motel parking lot. He said he was seated on the driver's side rear seat. He said the Suspect was driving and they drove out of the parking lot and a Deputy followed them. He said the Suspect was driving normally and the Deputy followed them for 11 or12 minutes.

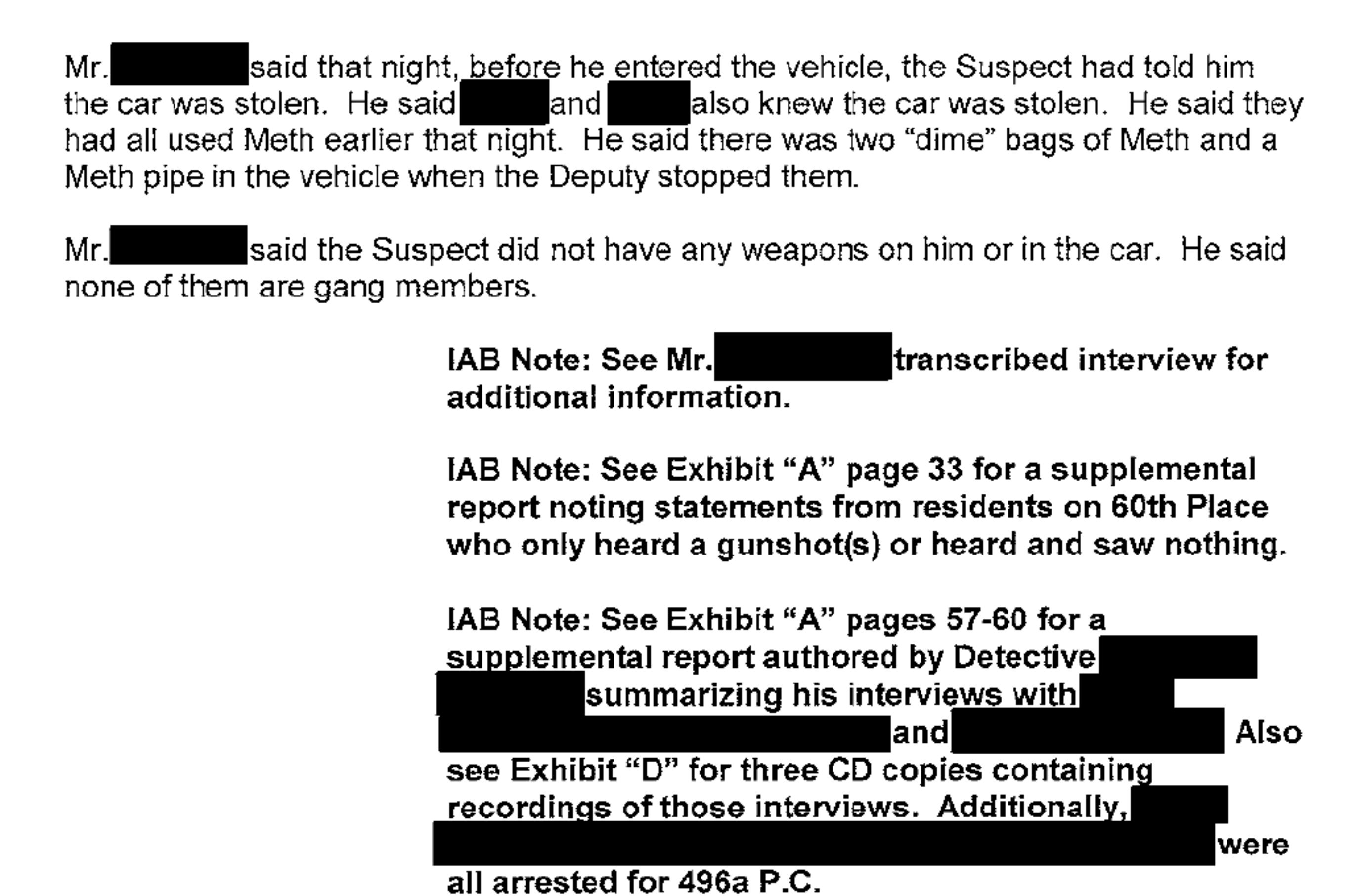
Mr. [redacted] said they drove down 60th Place when the Suspect turned into a driveway, and then reversed to turn around. He said the Deputy's patrol car was in the street and she was telling them stop and put their hands up. He said the Deputy was pointing her handgun at them. He said they all hesitated, but they all put their hands up.

Mr. [redacted] said the Suspect said he was going to "run" and then the Suspect removed the keys from the ignition and exited the car. He said he does not know why the Suspect exited the car. He said, "To tell you the truth I wasn't really paying attention to what he was doing. Like once he pulled into the street and then I realized that they were still behind us, then that's...I got a little nervous and then I, you know, once, once he backed out of the driveway and (INAUDIBLE) but that's right after he had opened the door."

Mr. [redacted] said the Suspect was standing outside of the car with his hands up, holding the car keys in one hand. He said he heard a gunshot, the car window shattered, and he then saw the Suspect run away. He said, "He put his hands up and then the window breaks and you, you could hear something and then he runs. And then I, I, out of just reaction I just step out of the car and so does [redacted] and she runs to the, to the sidewalk and she does like a roll into a wall or something like that."

> **IAB Note: Detective Detective [redacted] noted that Mr. [redacted] told him the Suspect lowered his hands before he heard a gunshot.**

Mr. [redacted] said he did not see who fired the weapon. He said he opened his car door, and placed both his feet on the street. He said he then brought his feet back in the car and remained there. He said he was scared and did not know what to do. He said, "I heard something but what scared me more was the window breaking 'cause we were still inside so then, then, then I just got out of the car and maybe, you know, I heard something. I had seen the window break and I just got out of the car. It sounded like a, like a, yeah, it sounded like a shot. But since I was sitting behind Eric and she's pointing the gun, it's like you...I didn't see nothing. I didn't see the glass, I didn't see nothing else. But I still was scared because the window broke. And, and that's what made me get out. I mean, as soon as I got out, I kind of stopped and I just glanced at him and I didn't...I think I just saw him turn his back and run. It's not like he runs and then the window breaks. First, yeah, the window breaks and then he runs, but at that time he's already out of the car."



Mr. [redacted] said that night, before he entered the vehicle, the Suspect had told him the car was stolen. He said [redacted] and [redacted] also knew the car was stolen. He said they had all used Meth earlier that night. He said there was two "dime" bags of Meth and a Meth pipe in the vehicle when the Deputy stopped them.

Mr. [redacted] said the Suspect did not have any weapons on him or in the car. He said none of them are gang members.

IAB Note: See Mr. [redacted] transcribed interview for additional information.

IAB Note: See Exhibit "A" page 33 for a supplemental report noting statements from residents on 60th Place who only heard a gunshot(s) or heard and saw nothing.

IAB Note: See Exhibit "A" pages 57-60 for a supplemental report authored by Detective [redacted] summarizing his interviews with [redacted] and [redacted] Also see Exhibit "D" for three CD copies containing recordings of those interviews. Additionally, [redacted] were all arrested for 496a P.C.

SUSPECT'S STATEMENTS

Eric **VALDEZ**

Suspect Eric Vadez was interviewed on October 20, 2010 by Detective George Bernal at East Los Angeles Station. The interview was video taped for review.

Suspect Valdez said he was in a vehicle that was parked in a motel parking lot. He said he was with [redacted] and [redacted] He said he was the driver and they were waiting for [redacted] to complete a transaction with the motel manger. He said, "We ended up taking that stolen car and I saw the sheriff so I drove. She (was) across the medium, Slauson. She looked at me really hard , I said oh. And then instead of pulling in, she stopped and she stared it down. And my buddy was getting his money back complaining about the room some phone not working in the room, something like that. 'Hurry up man she's right there.' I already knew she was gonna tail us so she pulled us over, you know?"

Suspect Valdez said "some guy" gave him the car and he did not know the vehicle was a stolen. He later stated he "made" the key to start the car. He said he does not know the "guy" who gave him the vehicle or where the "guy" lives.

Suspect Valdez said he thought the Deputy was going to give him a ticket for driving without a license. He said he drove out of the motel parking lot and the Deputy followed him. He said, "No license ticket something like that. She was parked right, like, I gave her room to bring the car in if she wanted to but she stayed there, like, on Slauson. On the street. Like, waited for me to pull me over. She didn't turn the lights on right away so and I kept on going back to [redacted] and [redacted] I didn't break any laws, complete stop, I signaled and at the end, I was gonna make, I was gonna make a three point U turn and park by one of my buddy's house, and I said 'we'll just go inside of this friend's house'."

Suspect Valdez said he drove to a friend's house on 60th Place when the Deputy stopped him. He said, "I was already pulling back out to (inaudible) park right there and she got right in the middle. She was, like, 'hey, turn that off.' She said, 'I'm going to shoot your ass don't.' Man I just ran, you know? And she fired, like, one shot. I could tell that she was shooting at me you know. She shoot (at) me you know. So I just ran and ran. I ran in between the cars.

Suspect Valdez said he was scared he was going to be arrested and he "bounced" (ran). He said he did not think the car was stolen until the Deputy had her handgun pointed at him.

Suspect Valdez said he did not comply with the Deputy's orders to stay in the car. He said he did not have a gun in his possession and had his hands up when he exited the car. He admitted that if he had stayed in the car and complied with the Deputy's orders, the Deputy had no reason to shoot at him.

Suspect Valdez said he was standing outside and next to the driver's side door with his hands up saying, "Please no." He said he was getting ready to run. He said, "I wanted to get away. Well, she knew I was going to run. She said 'if you run I'll shoot'."

Suspect Valdez said he uses Meth daily and he had Meth in his possession when they were stopped. He said he did not comply with the Deputy's orders and he ran away.

Suspect Valdez said he turned and lowered his hands as he ran away and the Deputy shot at him. He said he could understand that the motion of turning and lowering his hands would have concerned the Deputy.

IAB Note: See Suspect Valdez' transcribed interview for additional information. Also see Exhibit "A" for a DVD copy of Suspect Valsez' recorded interview.